



Breakthrough: Why?

Palm Sunday:

The City of **Jerusalem** is built on a mountain. As people ascended up to the Temple to celebrate the Jewish Feasts they would sing the ‘**Hallel**’ (Psalm 113 -118) as they made their way up to the Temple.

Matthew 21:1-9

⁹The crowds that went ahead of him and those that followed shouted, “**Hosanna to the Son of David!**” *“Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!”* “**Hosanna in the highest!**”

Hosanna is actually a plea for [salvation](#). The Hebrew root words are found in [Psalm 118:25](#), which says, “**Save us, we pray, O LORD!**” (ESV). The Hebrew words *yasha* (“deliver, save”) and *anna* (“beg, beseech”) combine to form the word that, in English, is “**hosanna**.” Literally, *hosanna* means “I beg you to save!” or “please deliver us!”

⇒ There is a [prophetic interpretation](#) for this verse.

Matthew 21:12-14

Matthew 21:15-16

Jesus went to Jerusalem on Palm Sunday for [a break through!](#)

When it comes time for God to fulfill scripture, there is literally no power on heaven or earth that can stop it!

Have you ever asked: *Why go to Church?*

⇒ **Hebrews 10:24-25**

✓ One reason I come to church is as a [Consumer](#).

Church should be a place that fills you up!

✓ The second reason is as a [Contributor](#)

Why go to church? Because someone here needs a [Breakthrough!](#)

Jesus IS the difference between [religion](#) and our ability to have a [personal Relationship](#) with God.

In Life you need to [be BOTH](#) a **Consumer** and a **Contributor**.

Why go to Church?

Church is a place I can find personal break through...

Next Week: *Breakthrough: Death to Life – II Timothy 1:9-10*

March's Memory Verse – *For the eyes of the Lord range throughout the earth to strengthen those whose hearts are fully committed to him.* **2Chronicles 16:9a (NIV)**

Monday 3/21- Read John 12:12-19

Question: What prophesy did Jesus fulfill riding into Jerusalem on a donkey's colt?

Truth: *Rejoice greatly, Daughter Zion! Shout, Daughter Jerusalem! See, your king comes to you, righteous and victorious, lowly and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.* Zechariah 9:9

Meditate: John 12:16 - *At first his disciples did not understand all this. Only after Jesus was glorified did they realize that these things had been written about him and that these things had been done to him.*

Prayer: "Hosanna! (Hebrew Meaning - Save) Lord you are the Savior, thank for bringing salvation to me.

Action: *Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever.* Psalm 118:1

What God is telling me:

Tuesday 3/22- Read Luke 19:28-44

Question: What was Jesus' response to some of the Pharisees who wanted Jesus to stop his disciples from proclaiming him the Savior?

Truth: "I tell you," he replied, "if they keep quiet, the stones will cry out." Vs. 40

Meditate: Luke 19:31– *If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' say, 'The Lord needs it.'*

Prayer: Hosanna! Glory to God in the Highest! Today is a day of rejoicing.

Action: Joyfully share the saving grace of God and the Good News of Jesus with those I love.

Who will I invite to Good Friday and Easter services:

Wednesday 3/23- Read Psalm 118:1-29

Question: *The Lord is with me; I will not be afraid. What can mere mortals do to me?* Vs. 6

Truth: *I will give you thanks, for you answered me; you have become my salvation.* Vs. 21

Meditate: Psalm 118:17 - *I will not die but live, and will proclaim what the Lord has done.*

Prayer: *Lord, save us! Lord, grant us success!* Vs. 25

Action: *Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever.* Vs. 1 & 29

What God wants ME to do:

Thursday 3/24- Read John 18:1-40

Question: What reason did Jesus give for his birth?

Truth: *Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. In fact, the reason I was born and came into the world is to testify to the truth. Everyone on the side of truth listens to me."*

Meditate: John 18:6- *When Jesus said, "I am he," they drew back and fell to the ground.*

Prayer: Lord, your words are true. You are the Savior. All who put their hope in you will be saved.

Action: *As the Scripture says, "Anyone who trusts in him will never be put to shame."* Romans 10:11

I am trusting in God with my:

Friday 3/25- Read John 19:1-42

Question: "Do you refuse to speak to me?" Pilate said. "Don't you realize I have power either to free you or to crucify you?" Vs. 10

Truth: *Jesus answered, "You would have no power over me if it were not given to you from above. Therefore the one who handed me over to you is guilty of a greater sin."* Vs. 11

Meditate: John 19:30 - *When he had received the drink, Jesus said, "It is finished." With that, he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.*

Prayer: *Let Israel say: "His love endures forever." Let the house of Aaron say: "His love endures forever." Let those who fear*

the Lord say: "His love endures forever." Psalm 118:2-4

Action: Worship Jesus for his Sacrifice for me.

Good Friday Service tonight at 6:30: _____

Life Group Outline- Why Go To Church?

March's Memory Verse – *For the eyes of the Lord range throughout the earth to strengthen those whose hearts are fully committed to him. 2Chronicles 16:9a (NIV)*

Fellowship and Praises-

Take **20-35 minutes** as a group to share what God has been doing in your life.

Bible verse memorization: Share how God has revealed this truth of strengthening those fully committed to him.

Bible Study Exercise: Hebrews 10:19-25

Jesus Broke Through the walls and curtains of religion to give us a marvelous opportunity to have a real loving relationship with God. Religion and relationships can both have rules, but share how my relationship with God is far superior than any religion.

To be healthy I need to be a *consumer* of all that is good with Christ's church. How is my faith/life being strengthened by participating in church activities and what are those activities?

To be healthy I also need to be a *contributor* for the good of others. How am I using the good I'm consuming to contribute to the benefit of others?

And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, Hebrews 10:24

As a small group what can we do to spur one another on towards love and good deeds?

Be a Contributor – Read Matthew 5:16

In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.

What good deeds can we do for those outside of Christ's church?

Prayer Time- pray for opportunities to share Jesus with your 5 people.

Going Deeper: Read Psalm 119:169-176

May my cry come before you, Lord;

give me understanding according to your word.

May my supplication come before you;

deliver me according to your promise.

Real Application: PRAY to God about your friends, then TELL your friends about God.